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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner mailed March 7, 2003, that resulted in Applicant having claims that have been twice or finally rejected.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter. A duplicate copy of this Notice is attached.

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